

Senior Class Play, 'Come Over to Our House,' Will Be Presented Friday Eve

The Senior Class of Decatur high school presents the 1947 senior class play tomorrow night at the high school auditorium.

A comedy hit, the entertainment will furnish an evening's relaxation and fun. It's one the whole family will enjoy—and you are cordially invited. Curtain time 7:30 tomorrow (Friday) night.

CHARACTERS

Claire Thompson Billye Raye Chesser
Lindy Eldridge Janis Luker
Hugo Willifred Fred Patterson
Marion Eldridge Beverly Wren
Jay Eldridge Wayne Kilgore
Carrie Andrews Mary Browning
Hildred Reynolds Sue Roberts
Butch Reynolds Vernon Taylor
Madge Wilkins Ann Dillard
Amanda Eldridge Audrey Faye Duncan
Philip King Lenard Measures
Eve Cannon Christine Taylor
Steve Reynolds Langford Wilkins
Sascha Sevinsky Tommy Colgrove
Damon Gottschalk Alfred Greer
May Houston Mary Lee Hilton
Veronica Nichols Nona Sumner
Barney Fellows C. J. Howard

Extra Girls

Doris Williams, Anna Lee Morris, Joy Mearkey, Patsy Stevens, Charline Webb, and Betty Thompson
Stage Managers — Martha Jameson and Leon Smith
Sound Effects and Curtain Boyd Reynolds
Prompter Alma Jean Rasbury

Action and Scene

The scene throughout is the living room of the Eldridge home in a medium-sized city

Act One: Afternoon of a day in spring.

Act Two:

Scene I: Early Friday evening, two weeks later.

Scene II: Later the same night.

Act Three: The following morning.

Furniture — Courtesy Christian Furniture Store

Mrs. Dorrell Jones Chosen President of Decatur P.T.A.

Mrs. Dorrell P. Jones was elected president of the Parent Teachers Association for next year at a meeting held by that organization on April 25.

Other officers for the next year include Mrs. A. H. Masincill, Vice-president; Mrs. Hazel Martineau, Secretary; and Mrs. Grady Woodruff, Treasurer.

The pupils of the first and See PTA on page 6

TP&L Makes a Contract For Power From Denison Dam

The Southwestern Power Administration and the Texas Power & Light Company today announced that they had signed a 20-year contract through which approximately half the electric power from the Government's hydro-electric plant at the Denison Dam project will be distributed and sold.

The agreement, which must be submitted to the Federal Power Commission for final confirmation and approval of rates, is the result of many months of thorough study and negotiation between the Texas Power & Light Company and the Government Agency, and is designed to provide a vehicle for the most widespread distribution and sale of power from the Denison Dam at the lowest possible rate to the ultimate consumer consistent with sound business principles. The agreement recognizes the preference requirements of the Flood Control Act, and public bodies and REA cooperatives will have first call upon the energy as distributed under the agreement.

Aubrey Ingram has taken up abode in his new building on the northeast corner of the square, where he is operating the Radio Electric Shop. We still think the mail box in front of the PO should be moved out to the curb. Spring is here and so much going on all over it's hard to find out who did what when and where. School enters its final month next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bluford Walker and children, Helen Hull, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Cook and daughters, Joyce Ann and Norma, Cynthia Kerby and Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Cook attended the Ice-Capades in Fort Worth Sunday.

Marlin Lewis and mother, Mrs. Pearl Lewis, have returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Lewis at Edcamp, Texas.

Decatur Choral Club Wins High Honors

The Choral Club of the local high school won first rating honors at the regional meet in Denton last Thursday. Region X, which consists of several counties including Wise, Jack, Denton, Tarrant, Collin, Montague, and others had the Inter-scholastic League Competition Music Festival on the campus of North Texas State College April 17th and 18th.

Among the schools entering the vocal contest were Vernon, Gainesville, Denton, Denton Sherman, Grapevine and Decatur. The group from Decatur won the highest rating given to choral organizations, and of course rated with the groups of larger schools.

The local group had just recently won the District Choral Contest at Bowie several weeks before.

Eight soloists represented Decatur High School in the vocal solo contest. Of the eight entering, three won first place ratings and the others, second.

Joy Mearkey, Jo Ann Hill and Betty Jane Dodds were the first place winners, while Connie Van Meter, Beverly Wren, Elizabeth New, Jacquelyn Burton and Ann Dillard won the second place ratings. We are proud of their efforts because there were many third places given.

These students have worked hard and faithfully, now they are rewarded for their efforts. Most of this group have been singing together for six years under the direction of Mrs. Elouise Mauldin James and Mrs. Gordon Roberts, accompanist.

FFA Boys Have Annual Affair

The Future Farmers annual father and son banquet this year was given in the form of a barbecue last Friday night at the reunion grounds, with a large group present, including a group of visitors and business-men.

The meeting was held in regular FFA form, followed by aims and objects, several talks by teachers and men, and closing with a movie of FFA boys' accomplishments in various sections of Texas.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Engel Jr. of Chicago announce the birth of a son, Joe III. Mrs. Engel is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hoyle.

One Hundred Honor Miss Roberts Here

One hundred Decaturites attended the dinner tendered Miss Mame Roberts of Howe, who spoke to the group Tuesday evening in the Methodist Church cafeteria.

Dr. R. E. Bell gave the invocation opening the meeting, followed by the serving of the elaborate and delicious fare, prepared by the ladies of the church. Music during the dinner was given by James Darwin at the piano, and Claude Brown playing his trombone. Joyce Ann Cook and Sheri Nell Walker played a duet, and Miss Walker played a piano solo as two entertainment features.

R. T. Rieger, president of the Chamber of Commerce, sponsoring organization, was chairman, introducing Miss Roberts. Miss Roberts spoke at length concerning clean-up, beautification, garden club, arboriculture, etc. In the interest of a beautiful and beautiful community.

Mayor C. P. Dodson discussed at length some of the improvements planned by the city, including the water system, sewer system, fire prevention, clean-up, milk and food control, and mosquito control. He gave a history of each project which was both interesting and educational, and closed by saying "What Decatur Makes Makes Decatur." He congratulated Miss Roberts on her address, and urged a complete clean-up and beautification, not once a year, but all the time.

Miss Roberts' remarks were to the point, and the suggestions made, if followed, would make Decatur a cleaner, more beautiful and more beautiful town in which to live.

President Rieger thanked the ladies for the splendid banquet fare, and Lawrence Flusche, Joe Wren, Mayor Dodson, Carl Christian, and others, for their work on behalf of the clean-up campaign, and for the kick-off dinner.

DAIRY DAY 9th.

The Dairy Day committees have just about completed plans for the Wise County Dairy Day scheduled for Friday, May 9. The Dairy Day will be held at the Decatur Baptist College football field and gymnasium from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m.

All breeds of dairy cattle will be shown and cattle should arrive on the grounds by 9:30 a. m.

Judging contest will be held for both Junior and Adults and merchandise premiums will be given to winners of the junior contest.

Outstanding agricultural and dairy authorities will be on the program to discuss dairy management, breeding, feeding and other pertinent dairy problems.

Dairymen are urged to enter either grade or registered cattle in one or more of the following classes: Females: 3 years and over, 2 years and under 3, 1 year and under 2, and 6 months to 1 year. Bulls: 2 years and over, 1 year and under 2, and 6 months and under 1 year.

No cattle under 6 months of age will be shown. Registered and grade cattle will not compete in the same classes and only registered bulls will be shown.

The Dairy Day committee solicits your wholehearted support in making this one of the biggest Dairy Days ever held in Decatur.

May Fete to Be At School Auditorium

A May Day fete will be given at the high school, with the grammar school and high school both participating. Each room or grade will present a skit. A princess and escort will be selected from each room, and a queen from the grammar school and high school.

The fete is sponsored by the speech class, with proceeds from the 15 and 35c charge going to the curtain fund.

The public is invited.

Mrs. Gene Brown and daughter, Mrs. J. P. Siebert and children of Dallas visited Mr. and Mrs. Alf Brown Jr. Sunday.

CLEAN-UP MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER HELD HERE

Decatur's clean-up drive of yesterday was successful, the city is tons lighter in weight of trash and accumulation hauled off, and the city is much more healthy and beautiful by the results of the face-lifting of the business and residential districts.

The four hour work of all business people, who closed every store in town for that period of time, brought the desired result. Most everyone in town knows what was accomplished, and those who did the work know that it was really worth a few hours. It was one undertaking in which the whole of the city cooperated, and the results were astonishing.

Those in charge take pleasure in thanking you for your part, and they know that you are also proud of the fact that your home and your place of business is clean, inside and out.

UWFSCN Reports Varied Practices

White Coffman, of the Cottondale Conservation Group, has finished seeding a 4-acre field to Weeping Lovegrass. Part of the field seeded before the last rain, beginning to show a good many seedlings.

W. A. Davis, 3rd Group, is moving on with his coordinated Conservation Plan with the completion of 1400 feet of Diversion Terrace to protect land that is being cultivated, from excess surface pasture water. Davis had the service of the local Soil Conservation Service technicians in seeking, designing, and checking this Diversion Terrace.

B. P. Vaughn, Boonsville Group, seeded 8 acres of Bermuda grass to speed the re-vegetation of his bottom pasture land.

A. G. Bollinger, Upper Rush Group, seeded 8 acres of pasture with Bermuda grass and an additional 2 acres of heavy seeding for terrace outlets.

This grass seed is being furnished by the Board of Supervisors of the Upper West Fork Soil Conservation District to cooperating farmers under their Flood Control program of re-vegetation.

J. S. Berry and J. I. Wilkins, Boonsville Group, are cooperating with each other, as well as with the Conservation District, on their conservation plans and terracing programs. They have just completed a single terrace system that protects a small field for Berry and a larger field for Wilkins.

Boy Scouts Plan to Enter Area Circus

The Boy Scout troops of Wise County are making their plans for their part in the annual Scout Circus in Fort Worth at Will Rogers coliseum Friday and Saturday May 9 and 10. Troops at Decatur, Rhom, Boyd, Paradise, Bridgeport and Chico are expected to take part in the huge entertainment.

It's really a circus too. The entertainment is hard to describe, but it is really something you will hardly believe until you see it.

The whole of the county is invited to attend the circus, and to give support to the Scouts from your community. The entertainment, in itself, will be an eye opener, and you will become acquainted first hand with the work the Scouts are doing. Why not plan to see the show?

The Decatur all stars lost their first game of the year Sunday to the Grapevine 11, in a baseball game played on the local diamond. Score 21 to 22. The rains of the past week have made the grain crops over the county, and have aided others it also made the weed crop double.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hatcher visited her mother, Mrs. Keen, at Joy Sunday.

Miss Beverly Wren And Hot Shots On Lions Club Program

The Hot Shots, newest revision of the Hot Rocks, entertained the Lions with song Wednesday, and Miss Beverly Wren gave her winning declamation, given at the district meet the week before.

The Hot Shots include Hershell Anderson, Bobby Boyd, Earnest (Spec) McDaniel, Edsel Dodge and Harold Lasiter.

Miss Wren's declamation was thoroughly enjoyed, and from the presentation gave full evidence of how she won the district.

Several guests were present, and a changeover in the cooking department caused a slight delay, however, the meal was such as to offset any loss of time in waiting.

Texas City Funds to Be Accepted Here

Voluntary Red Cross contributions for the relief of the Texas City explosion sufferers will be accepted by any of the organization's 3754 chapters. Chairman Basil O'Connor said today. The chairman pointed out that already a number of inquiries have been received from persons interested in supplementing the initial Red Cross appropriation of \$250,000, to lessen the distress, even though many local chapters are still at work on their 1947 fund appeal.

Local people, or anyone reading this story who wishes to contribute to the Red Cross relief fund may send their checks to the Decatur chapter of the Red Cross, or to this newspaper.

R. E. Jackson Spoke To County Teachers

The Wise County Teachers Association met at Chico Thursday evening, April 17. President J. J. Haladson presided.

After a sumptuous banquet served by the lunch room force and assisted by the girls of the Homemaking department, Mrs. Everett Johns and Mrs. G. M. Marshall presented their pupils in well prepared musical numbers.

In the business session it was voted to hold the last meeting of the year at Shidell the first Thursday evening in May.

Dr. Craig of T. S. C. W. was introduced as a guest.

Prof. R. E. Jackson of T. S. C. W., in his typical humorous style, entertained the group with a series of jokes and stories illustrating many phases of education and the teaching profession.

DBC Wins Girls In Girls Volley Ball

The D. B. C. girls' volleyball team won the Greenwood Independent Volley Ball tournament. The Indianettes beat Alvord, Chico and Greenwood in the tournament. Mary Jo Truitt was selected as the best "spiker" in the tournament.

D. B. C. players are Mary Jo Truitt, Carolyn Snipes, Frances Terrell, Betty Cox, Opal Morgan, Bonnie Watson.

Miss Joyce Wilson, director of the tournament, was outstanding player for Greenwood. She is to be commended for the success of a fine tournament.

IN NEW JERSEY

Pvt. Noel E. Reeves Jr. of Decatur, Texas, was recently transferred from the Army Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, for communications specialty training with the Signal School here at Fort Monmouth, N. J. He is a member of a large unit of Air Corps men to be trained at this post by the Signal Corps.

Upon completion of his specialty, he will be transferred to one of the various Air Corps installations as a trained technician.

Mrs. Geo. Lewis and son, Mrs. Johnnie Garrett and son visited Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bentley in Wichita Falls Sunday.

Election Totals From County In Recent School Elections Are Announced

Below is the way Wise County voted in the recent school election.

ALVORD
School Trustee—
Pete Williams 61
Henry Riley 52
J. D. Nivens 52
County Trustee—
Mara 82
Fullingim 35

DECATUR
County Trustee—
Mara 70
Fullingim 111

FAIRVIEW
School Trustee—
L. J. Bridgewater 6
County Trustee—
Mara 5
Fullingim 2

MIDWAY
School Trustee—
Grant Skinner 5
C. B. Boyd 9
County Trustee—
Mara 14
Fullingim 1

PARK SPRINGS
School Trustee—
P. C. Younger 21
Bill Talley 24
E. M. McGee 2
County Trustee—
Mara 23
Fullingim 10

CRAFTON
School Trustee—
Harry Martin 5
R. C. Stockard 1
Bud Collier 3
J. B. Blanton 1
County Trustee—
Mara 10
Fullingim 0

SYCAMORE
School Trustee—
Robin Winder 7
Lawrence Young 3
County Trustee—
Mara 9
Fullingim 0

PARADISE
School Trustee—
Viel Phillips 93
Travis Foreman 62
R. R. McPherson 53
County Trustee—
Mara 50
Fullingim 29

RHOM
School Trustee—
C. C. Calvert 27
Martin Simmons 26
County Trustee—
Mara 10
Fullingim 19

BOYD
School Trustee—
J. R. Early 46
Clarence Wilson 36
C. R. Edwards 15
County Trustee—
Mara 25
Fullingim 32

NICKLESVILLE
School Trustee—
Robert Adcock 3
County Trustee—
Mara 77
Fullingim 24

BRIDGEPORT
School Trustee—
C. H. Elliot 73
J. M. Hartsell 59
H. H. Sampson 58
J. G. Montford 37
County Trustee—
Mara 87
Fullingim 36

BLEWETT
School Trustee—
Joe Lee Fox 7
C. E. Manning 7
A. B. Van Meter 7
County Trustee—
Mara 4
Fullingim 4

BRIAR
School Trustee—
Grady Granstaff 10
County Trustee—
Mara 4
Fullingim 4

GREENWOOD
School Trustee—
Newton Maxwell 51
E. Parker 56
E. Wallace 52
County Trustee—
Mara 52
Fullingim 16

BOONSVILLE
School Trustee—
W. Counts 4
E. H. Bishop 4
R. R. Hooten 3
G. T. Morris 3
County Trustee—
Mara 4
Fullingim 1
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County Offices to Close Saturday Eve.

The following story concerning the closing of county offices, has been corrected by request, from the story which appeared last week. The following is reprinted from the minutes of the proceedings of the Commissioners Court:

In view of the State-wide policy of the County, State, and Federal Offices to permit employees one-half day off per week—namely Saturday afternoons, the Commissioner's Court of Wise County has authorized department heads to close their doors on Saturday afternoons, if the department heads see fit. Henceforth, the following offices in the Court House will close at twelve o'clock noon on Saturday:

County School Superintendent; County Treasurer; County Clerk; County Judge; and the District Clerk.

Carl Christian Honors Senior Girls

Carl Christian is presenting each of the following high school graduates with a miniature Lane Cedar Hope Chest: Martha Brady, Bernice Brown, Anna Eloyse Carr, Billy Chesser, Marie Claborn, Ann Dillard, Audrey Duncan, Dorothy Fox, Jane Hale, Mary Lee Hilton, Janis Luker, Eleanor McDermott, Joy Mearkey, Anna Lee Morris, Lois North, Emma Lee Oates, Alma Jean Rasbury, Anna Merle Reeves, Betty Lou Rhine, Sue Jean Roberts, Mary Jo Stone, Nona Sumner, Christine Taylor, Betty Thompson, Charline Webb, Doris Williams, Beverly Wren, Patsy Stevens and Mary Browning, all of Decatur, and Lois North of Rhom.

Lions Club, Guard Boys Open Season

The Lions Club team and the National Guard team played a twilight game Tuesday evening, with whatever players were available, and had a work-out affair. Muscles were brought back into action and bases were run, a lumber up for the city league games to start about May 1.

Six teams in the local league are expected, and full and complete details of teams and players will probably be available next week.

Eagles Win From Denton and Bowie

The Decatur High Eagles played Denton Demonstration school a game of baseball last Thursday, which proved to be a one-sided affair, with the local boys winning 27 to 3.

The team went to Bowie Tuesday where they played a return game with the 'Rabbits. The local boys won 6 to 3.

Bert Gantt entered regional meet in Dallas last week end, and took third place in his heat.

Girl Scout Troop Organized Here

A committee consisting of Mmes. Nolen Sewell, Robert Sellers, Lawrence Flusche, Tom McMurray, and Miss Bell Ford met to organize a Girl Scout program for our girls in Decatur. Ms. Nolen Sewell was elected chairman of the committee.

Mrs. A. H. Masincill is heading the Scout movement so that local girls may be affiliated with the national program. She will be the leader of an Intermediate Troop — girls 10, through 17th grade.

Eight graders and interested high school girls will be under the leadership of Mrs. N. Conner.

Brownie Scouts are 7-10 years old. Their leaders will be Mmes. Wayne Young, Tom Rush and John Renshaw.

Watch for news of these three troops of Girl Scouts—Brownies, Intermediates, and Seniors.

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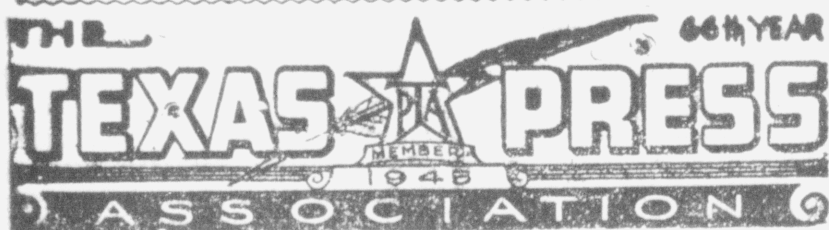
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AUSTIN—The State of Texas is planning to celebrate national

WELCOME

To Fundamentalist Baptist Church



Sunday School 10 A. M.
Preaching 11 A. M.
Evening Service 7:30
Visitation Day
Tuesday 10 O'clock
Teachers Meeting 7 O'clock
Prayer Meeting
Wednesday Evening 7:30
Our Motto:
"A Going Church
For A Coming Lord"
**FUNDAMENTALIST
BAPTIST CHURCH**
Pastor — E. E. TAYLOR

OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat



THOMAS JEFFERSON
APRIL 13, 1743—JULY 4, 1826

"The God Who gave us Life gave us Liberty at the same time."

THIRD PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AUTHOR OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, FIRST AMERICAN STATESMAN TO MAKE STATE AID TO EDUCATION A FUNDAMENTAL TENET OF A DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE, FOUNDER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, IN HIS DAY A FAMED DIPLOMAT, ARCHITECT, METEOROLOGIST AND HORTICULTURIST—THOMAS JEFFERSON IS REVERED BY ALL FREEDOM-LOVING PEOPLE AS ONE OF THE GREATEST APOSTLES OF DEMOCRACY WHO EVER LIVED.

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

**"As Homelike
As a Barn"**

Cy Hartman finally got his new barn painted, but plenty of folks had a hand in it. Whenever someone got a free day, or a little extra time, they'd come over and help out with paint and brush.

And Cy, to show his appreciation, held a big "barn warming" Saturday—for all the folks who'd helped him (but not barring those who couldn't). Ma Hartman supplied sandwiches, and Cy rolled out a mellow keg of beer.

You'd never think of a barn as "homelike." But with those lanterns

hanging from the rafters; make-shift tables spread heavy with food; and Ed Carey's fiddle playing while the folks enjoyed their beer—Cy's barn was sure a mighty hospitable-looking place!

From where I sit, it's just about as appropriate to have a barn warming as a housewarming... if only because it's another chance to get neighbors together in a spirit of good fellowship.

Joe Marsh

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DEMOCRACY AT WORK

"To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual ways of preserving peace."

This simple truth, phrased by George Washington, shines forth more brightly today to guide the United States than it did when he uttered it 157 years ago. History emphasizes and reinforces his wisdom.

If American civilization is to endure, we must be ready to defend it. If peace is to be assured, the United States must remain strong. Huge, standing armies, however, are foreign to our traditions. How, then, can we remain strong?

One of the surest, most economical ways to accomplish this is through a vigorous National Guard, the local, volunteer, civilian-soldier organization. Its new authorized strength is 682,000 men, more than double the pre-war force. That means 682,000 worthwhile spare-time jobs for the young men of the nation.

This is the American way, for always in American history it has been the civilian army which has

borne the brunt of defending our ideals. This is the democratic way, for what can be more democratic than citizens volunteering a part of their spare-time that they may be trained to defend their homes, their State, their nation?

The new National Guard is vital to all of us as a force to be trained, equipped and ever ready for instant mobilization to supplement the Regular Army in time of threat. It commends itself for many other reasons.

Here at home, the individual may train while pursuing his regular occupation and living a normal civilian life. He draws a full day's Regular Army pay for two hours of spare-time training a week and for each of 15 days of field training. He may learn new skills, or improve old ones, and acquire valuable experience in organization and leadership.

An active National Guard unit is a community asset. It is a spark to real community service. It is citizenship at work. The community and local merchants benefit, too, from Federal funds. A single company of 188 enlisted

men receives \$36,000 annually.

The National Guard is a State and Federal organization. It functions at the call of the Governor as a protector of life and property, or at the call of the President in national emergencies. It has an outstanding record of service in times of flood or other disasters, as well as in defense of the nation. But of all its functions, the most important is: Your National Guard Helps Guard the Peace!

**"ANNUAL DIVIDEND FOR
FARM LOAN FIRM
ANNOUNCED"**

"Directors of the Denton-Wise National Farm Loan Association have declared a five per cent annual dividend on its stock outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1946, according to an announcement by Herbert H. Decker, secretary-treasurer.

Decker said that dividends totaling 20 per cent have been paid by the association in the past four years and that at the same time surplus and reserve amounts have been increased to further protect stock investments and to strengthen the association.

The association makes and services Federal Land Bank loans in Denton and Wise Counties. Directors are: Will Williams, President, C. A. Scott, Vice President, Ben C. Ivey, J. T. Donald, and G. E. Arnett."

**NEW AND RENEWAL
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S. E. Casey, city

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G. W. Oates, city
Freeman Taggart, city
Mrs. Mattie Wallace, city
Mrs. J. H. Loter, Slide
Tom Allred, city
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Pearl Crowder, city
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Mrs. J. D. Holt, city
Robert Corbin, city
J. H. Guthrie, route 4
C. A. Potter, city
Charley Tackel, city
Wallace Hughes, city
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James E. Finley III, James Eugene, March 18.
Oscar F. Hartsell, son, Jerry, March 29.
James Arnold Howard, daughter, Maurine, March 12.
Woodie Frank Hancock, son, Teddy Frank, March 17.
Norman Jackson, son, Robert Norman, April 4.
James Conore Lynch, daughter, March 29.
Fred Elmo Maples, son, Freddie Ray, March 15.
Jesse Edward McDaniel, daughter, Mary Allie, March 15.
Henry D. North, daughter, Judy Carol, March 19.
Harvey W. Randall, son, Larry Don, March 16.
Guy W. Rowe, daughter, Nona Virginia, March 29.
Dewey R. Scott, son, Robert Errol, March 18.
William David Thompson, daughter, Anna Kathleen, March 10.

MAARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED RECENTLY

J. T. Pemberton Jr., Coryne McKee, March 14.
J. L. Bradford Jr., Anna Merle Reeves, March 14.
George Mann Hall, Ertis Lela Hall, March 17.
Earl Ross Fox, Dottie Christi March 18.
Laurence Taylor, Earnestine Garges, March 20.
Leonard E. Moore, Bernice B. Hainline, March 22.
A. J. Ponder, Helen Pearl Smith, March 22.
Clay E. Scales, Jeannette Allen, March 26.
Homer Travis Drennan, Maudie Nevada Guinn, March 26.
George E. Richardson, Monelle Welch, March 30.
Joseph R. Copeland, Zettie Viola Johnson, March 31.
Roy L. Morrow, Josephine La Geese, March 31.
Kenneth Warren Hill, Betty Jean Gates, March 31.
Verlon A. Evans, Bonnie Louise Green, March 31.
Earl Clifton Johnson, La Moyne Ruth Thomas, April 2.
James F. Pierce, Joe Nell Crum April 2.
Beyrl Harland Switzer, Jeffie Lois Rinehart, April 3.
John W. Thorne, Lee Simpson April 3.
C. C. Hairston, Bobbie Crawford.
Phillip A. Woodruff, Agnes Louise Smith, April 4.
John Jackson Burleson, Dickie Clayton Simpson, April 7.

SECOND SANTA ROSA ROUND-UP MAY 6-11

THE SANTA ROSA ROUNDUP
The second annual Santa Rosa Roundup, sponsored by E. Paul Waggoner and the Santa Rosa Roundup Association, to be held in Vernon will be May 6 through May 11 at the newly constructed, \$200,000 rodeo plant, located three miles south of Vernon on the Seymour highway.

This rodeo promises to be even bigger and better than the initial showing last year, with top performers and the best rodeo stock in the business on hand. The show will be produced by Earl and Jack Sellers, of Del Rio, Texas. Father and son team, who have produced first class rodeos all over the nation.

General Jonathan Wainwright, whose name is synonymous with Corregidor and Bataan, will be in Vernon to lead the big parade

which will open the Santa Rosa Roundup.

At the Santa Rosa Roundup, you will see calf roping contests, cutting horse, steer wrestling, saddle bronc riding, bareback bronc riding, brahma bull riding and a wild mare race. Special attractions will be the J. C. Smith mounted quadrille of Dallas, plain and fancy trick riding and roping by Dorothy Frizzell, Pauline Nesbitt, holder of the world's championship; Buff Brady, Jr., who, perhaps, has performed in more rodeos than anyone in his profession; Calgary Red, who does trick roping on a tight wire; and Volney Snodgrass with his trained sheep dog. Clowns will be Wiley McGray and Charlie Schultz with his bucking Ford.

A Beauty Revue, sponsored by the Vernon Chamber of Commerce, with contestants from more than 50 cities in Texas and Oklahoma, will be held. The first place winner will be awarded \$500.00 in cash; second prize winner will receive \$250.00 and third prize will be \$100.00.

BIDDER

L. T. Kincer, Box 343, Decatur, Texas, was one of the successful bidders at the clearance sale closing Camp Howze, Gainesville, Texas, when successful bidders were awarded lots of miscellaneous building materials Friday at the famous northeast Texas Army post.

Will Beason has returned home from an extended visit with his son, Earl Beason and family, at Birmingham, Ala.

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TO THOSE WHO USE OR PLAN TO USE
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The Texas Butane Dealers Association urges you to check up on your present system. If your tank is not capable of serving you through the four winter months, you may find yourself without heat in the coldest season of the year.

New Industries developed during the War—plastics, synthetics and chemicals—now demand tremendous amounts of butane and propane. These industries use gas in equal amounts all year 'round. Meanwhile, domestic gas users burn four to seven times more in winter than in summer; but your dealer will be able to furnish you very little more in winter than in summer. To ease this high winter demand, users must spread that demand over the warmer months as well. The solution is

a tank which will be a four-months supply.

For "Winter-Insurance" the farmer stores his grain early, just as housewives do their canning early. For "Winter-Insurance" you'll have your four-months supply in your tank when you need it most. And by taking less time for your dealers' services, he can supply you and your neighbors more efficiently and economically at the very time when road conditions are worst for gas delivery.

The Texas Butane Dealers Association urges you to drop in to see your local gas dealer as soon as possible. Consult him before you buy any system. He knows butane and propane, and he will do everything he can to cooperate with you for next winter—Now!

R. B. TAYLOR

BUTANE GAS and APPLIANCES

Decatur, Texas

Slidell 4-H Club

Fern Hodze met with the Slidell 4-H Club Friday, April 4. Miss Hodze demonstrated the use of pillow cases and quilt protectors. Each member is to make a pillow cover or a quilt protector and bring in to the next meeting. Most of the members had a pot holder, cup towel or apron to show at this meeting. Those who had these projects received a 4-H Club folder with some instructions to keep their records in.

Lucille Griffith gave a report of the district meet at Seymour which she attended.

All members are urged to complete their projects and bring them to the next meeting.

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W. V. CUNNINGHAM, Decatur

Billy Ferguson of Lamesa, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Phifer and Dee Ferguson of Denver, and family from Houston, and Colo., were here to attend the LeRay Lawson from Arlington funeral of their grandfather, R. spent the week end with Mr. T. Howard, and Mrs. Ray Lawson.

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 CORN, Happiness whole kernel, No. 2 can . . . 15c
 Island Palm TOILET SOAP, a Wrisley item, bar 9c
 PAPER NAPKINS, 80 count package . . . 15c
 CLEANSING TISSUE, box . . . 15c

Hunt's PEACHES
 In heavy syrup, No. 2 1/2 can . . . 33c

Hunt's APRICOTS, heavy syrup, No. 2 1/2 can . . . 32c
 FRUIT COCKTAIL, Sunkist heavy syrup, jar . . . 45c
 SWIFTS BACON, pound . . . 63c
 SHORTENING, Swift's Jewel, 4-lb. jar . . . \$1.65

WHITE KARO
 Pint bottle . . . 20c

GRAPEFRUIT AND ORANGE SECTIONS.
 In Sugar syrup, No. 2 can . . . 21c

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Funeral Services For R. T. HOWARD

Mr. Reed T. Howard, pioneer settler of Wise County, passed away Monday morning, April 7, in a Decatur hospital. Mr. Howard had been in ailing health for the past few months and for a little over a week had suffered severe heart attacks gradually getting worse until the end.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist Church in Alvord Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the presence of a great gathering of friends and loved ones. Rev. W. O. Barnett of Dallas conducted the services assisted by Rev. M. B. James and Rev. E. E. Taylor. The impressive rites were tenderly comforting to loved ones. The floral tributes were beautiful expressions of affectionate memories friends held for Mr. Howard, who was kind and considerate.

Interment was made in the Alvord Cemetery with Rhine & Howard Funeral Home in charge.

Reed T. Howard was born Feb. 9, 1876, in Giles County, Tenn. His family moved to Texas when he was two years old and he had lived in Wise County 43 years.

He was married to Oma Dobson on Nov. 22, 1896. To this union four children were born. Mrs. John Ferguson, Garland Howard of Decatur, and Clyde Howard of Alvord, and Opal, who died at the age of four years.

Thirty years ago he was in the grocery business at Audubon, later moving here, where he remained in business until a few years ago when he retired.

He was converted in 1906 and joined the Baptist Church at Alvord in 1920. He lived a faithful Christian life and was devoted to his family, church and community.

He is survived by his beloved companion, three children, 10 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, one brother, Scott Howard of Wichita Falls; two sisters, Mrs. J. E. Swenson, Tulsa; Mrs. Charlie Williams, Loveland; a number of nephews and nieces.

Deepest sympathy is extended to sorrowing loved ones.

Hang On To Your Original Discharge GI's

"Keep that original discharge and have it recorded at your County Clerk's Office. It is a valuable document," Charles L. Wensley, Denton Contact Representative advises all veterans. VA's regional office in Dallas reports the number of original discharges accompanying applications are increasing every day. Since these original discharges cannot be made a part of the veteran's claim file, it is necessary to return them by registered mail.

The only instance where an original discharge is needed is when the veteran goes to a lending institution to make application for VA-approved loans.

All that is necessary to establish eligibility for VA benefits is a photostatic or certified copy of the discharge or other supporting documents, Wensley added.

LEGAL NOTICE

To Whom It May Concern:
 The Commissioners Court of Wise County will receive bids for the purchase of a Garwood Type Scraper. Bids will be accepted by the clerk of the County Court up to 10:00 o'clock A. M., May 12, 1947, at which time all bids will be opened, and if found advisable the Commissioner's Court will enter into a contract with some reputable contractor of Texas for such purchase. The Commissioner's Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The purchase price of this machine will be paid from funds budgeted to Commissioner of Precinct 4 of Wise County. Tentative specifications and requirements may be obtained from the County Clerk, Wise County, Texas.

Witness my hand and seal this 22nd day of April, 1947.
 JOHN H. SPLAWN
 County Judge
 (Adv. Apr. 24-Mar 1)

NOTICE TELEPHONE PATRONS

We are making some changes in the office getting ready for the dial system and will probably put some telephones out of order. If at any time your telephone appears to be out of order, please report same to operator.

COOPERATION IN CANCER DRIVE MAY HELP TO SAVE SOMEONES LIFE

HOUSTON (Sp.). — Deaths due to cancer in Wise County rose from 7 in 1945 to 13 in 1946, as cancer deaths throughout Texas continue to increase, according to official statistics of the State Board of Health released today by J. Louis Neff, Houston, executive director of the Texas Div., American Cancer Society.

Mr. Neff reports that there were 6,343 deaths from cancer in Texas last year, as compared to 5,948 during 1945.

He added that, according to the U. S. Census Bureau, in 1960 cancer ranked sixth among death-dealing diseases, while tuberculosis was rated first as

national killer. But, due to organized educational campaign and eternal vigilance on the part of awakened populace and the medical profession, tuberculosis has dropped back to 6th place, while cancer has risen to the position of the second most frequent cause of death. Heart disease occupies first place.

A nationwide drive started this month with a goal of \$12,000,000 to fight the rising menace of cancer. The Wise County minimum goal is \$503.55, and Mr. Neff urges that citizens of the county give to conquer the disease which kills one person every three minutes.

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Mr. and Mrs. Owen Thomas Shaw announce the birth of a daughter Saturday, April 19, in 55, and Mr. Neff urges that citizens of the county give to conquer the disease which kills one person every three minutes.

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Santa Rosa Roundup

ASSOCIATION

VERNON, TEXAS

ALVORD NEWS

Gardens are looking pretty now after a few days' sunshine. Old Jack Frost didn't do so much damage as was first feared.

Austin Wallis of Fort Worth visited Sunday with his mother, Mrs. R. E. Wallis.

Harold Phillips and family of Fort Worth visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Raley Sunday.

Mrs. W. R. Pierce is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Paul Cantrell of Kennedale.

Estelle Tibbitt and family of East Texas spent the week end with relatives in Alvord.

Health of the town and community seems to be better at this time, with less illness than at the time of our last report.

A revival meeting is in progress at the Assembly of God Church and large crowds are attending the night services. Rev. Walker is doing the preaching.

Miss Donna Parson and Mr. Trop Barclay were married Saturday night. We wish for them loads of happiness. Miss Parson has been a clerk in Dieb's Dry Goods Store quite some time.

Mrs. William Hancock and daughter and Mrs. C. B. Nivens spent last week with their husbands, who are working for the Magnolia Co. in Buffalo, Texas.

FUNDAMENTALIST CHURCH

Work is progressing on the new Sunday School building. The pastor spoke very encouragingly last Sunday morning about the future growth in attendance in Sunday School. There were 305 present last Sunday.

Pastor E. E. Taylor left Monday to be in a revival at Euless, Texas. However, he will be back here next Sunday. Rev. C. C. Cooper will have charge of the Wednesday night service.

We were made sad last week over the death of Mrs. A. J. Shelton. Mother Shelton will be greatly missed. In recent months when she was not able to attend services the visitors always looked forward to being blessed by her on visitation day. Funeral services were held at the church Thursday afternoon, April 17. Burial in Bethel Cemetery. Pastor Taylor conducted the funeral.

Regular services throughout the week and next Sunday. Singing in the afternoon. Come.

SWEETWATER CEMETERY

The annual Cemetery Working day at Sweetwater is Saturday, April 26. Everyone interested come and bring tools to work with and lunch.

Lt. Harrison Tells of Hunts In Jungles

Letters have been received from Lt. Bill Harrison telling of exciting hunting trips in the tropical jungles near Guadalcanal. He has bagged wild boar, parrots and eighteen foot crocodiles. His only regret is that he might have had Decatur Boy Scouts along instead of the English noblemen with whom he hunted. His account of dealings with these dignitaries of the British Government is most amusing.

Bill has served as Commanding Officer of a U. S. Army unit in the Solomon Islands for four months prior to the arrival of his engineering Co. from Tokyo. He has made many color pictures of Pacific beauty, having seen Japan, Easter coast of China and Formosa, Okinawa, Philippines, Fiji Islands, New Guinea, New Caledonia, Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand.

In spite of attractive offers to keep him in the Armed Forces, Lt. Harrison asserts he shall soon return to his home in Decatur and to Texas schools for the completion of his education.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

There is a change in our time for Sunday evening services now. The evening service will start at 8 p. m. rather than 7:30. The other services will remain the same. Last Sunday evening we had a beautiful baptismal service by candle light. The work of the church is steadily progressing. However, there are many who are not attending as they should. I am sending a cordial welcome to all who are not attending church to come out Sunday. We have classes for everyone in our Sunday School with competent teachers. A special

church with trained leaders is held every Sunday for the children. God is presented to them on their own level. Next Sunday at the 11 o'clock service the minister will preach on "Love", and at the evening service "Saying No to God". A quiet hour is held every Sunday evening from 7:30 to 8. A time for each one to commune with his Lord. A cordial welcome to all.

The Woman's Council are making plans for a covered dish supper Wednesday evening. All members and families are invited. Also plans are underway for a Mother and Daughter Tea to be held on May 13.

N. W. CONNER, Minister

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Large crowds were present last Sunday for the celebration of the 27th anniversary of the pastor. Several beautiful floral offerings added to the attractiveness of the auditorium, and the pastor and his wife were remembered with a number of generous gifts. There is a new enthusiasm among the members in their work, and many plans for progress are under consideration.

Contributions to the endowment of Decatur College will be made next Sunday. The College is a very valuable asset to the town, financially, intellectually, and spiritually; and in supporting it we contribute to our own prosperity.

The opening assembly programs of our Sunday School are very interesting and inspiring, and members are coming early to enjoy them.

The pastor will preach next Sunday morning on "Fleeing From The Presence of God". "The Sabbath was made for Man", and is a great blessing when properly observed. The public is cordially invited to come and enjoy our services with us.

R. E. BELL, Pastor

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. John (Tiger) Renshaw have a fine grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jim J. Bray, 6112 Kenwood, Dallas. He was born at Florence Nightingale hospital April 20, weight 7 lbs. His name is Jim Jarvin Bray Jr. Mr. and Mrs. G. V.

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Sunshine 1 Lb. Box

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Sunshine—Hard

Candies -- Cello Bag 12c

Sunshine—Krispy

Crackers -- No. 22 Box 14c

California Navel

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Rich in Juice

Lemons -- Lb. 10c

Heavy with Juice

Grapefruit -- Lb. 4c

South Texas—Meaty Pods

Green Beans -- Lb. 17 1/2

South Texas—Fresh

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Greens, bunch 5c

Green

Onions, bunch 5c

Radishes, bch. 5s

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spiritual uplift" experienced by all who attended the services regularly.

We had a record attendance in Sunday School which proves what we can do when we work toward definite goals. So let us continue to work hard for even greater numbers and for increasing loyalty upon the part of every member of our church.

We are having our annual "Church School Day Program" Sunday morning. It will be interesting and inspiring. The pastor will preach Sunday evening at 7:45. Resolve to attend every service conducted in your church.

Visitors are welcome.

ROY ANDERSON, Pastor

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JOE BAILEY

School Trustee—

Kirk Newberry 9

Election cont 9

County Trustee—

Mara 7

Fullinm 0

CHICO

School Trustee—

Glen George 45

C. R. Hallman 45

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Phillip Pope 2

County Trustee—

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Byron Snow 32

County Trustee—

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Don Lightfoot is attending the Scottish Rite reunion in Dallas. The thirty-second degree in Masonry will be conferred on Mr. Lightfoot.

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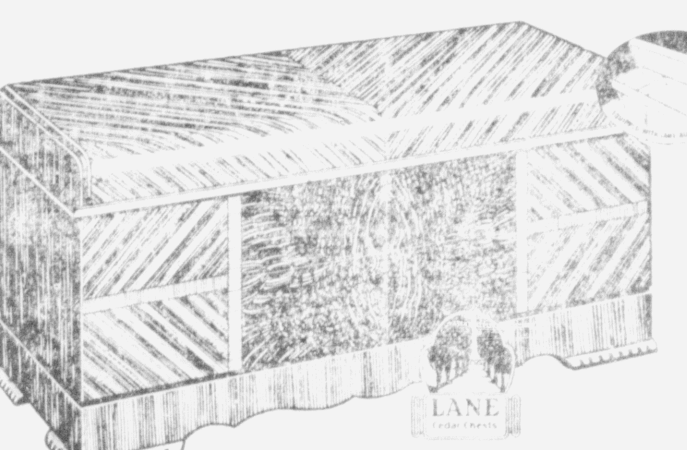
Our revival closed last Sunday night with a deeply spiritual service and a very large crowd present. Although we did not see the visible results we had hoped for, we thank God for those who did profess faith in Christ and unite with the Church and also for the "great

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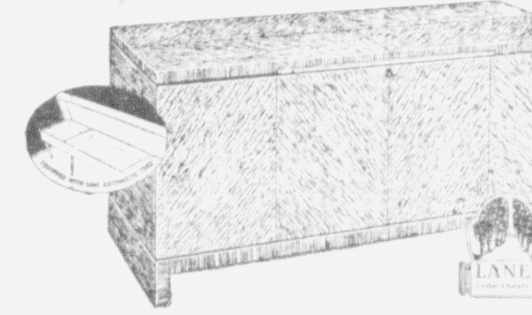
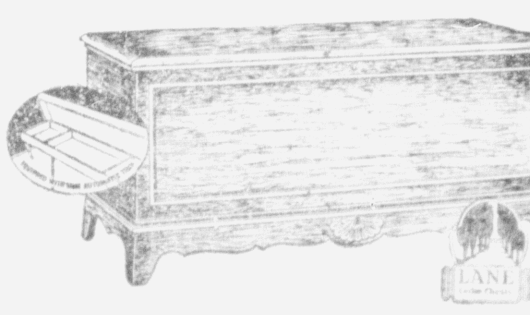
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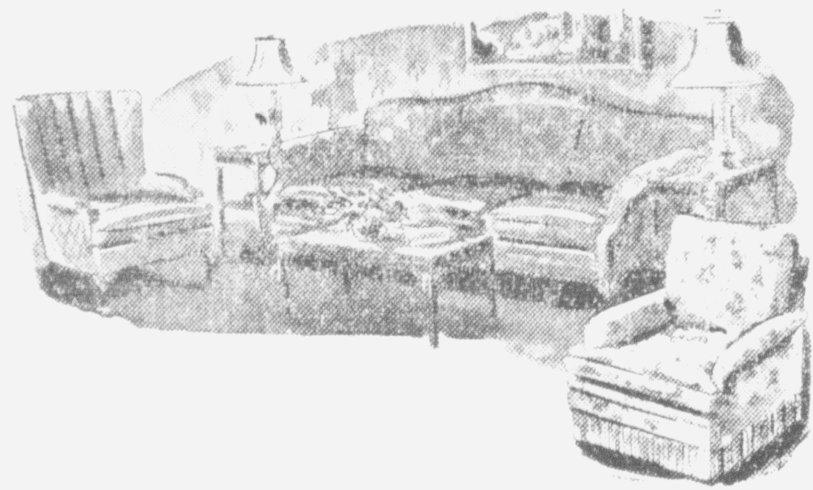



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one for the kindness and cour-
tesies shown us during the loss
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Passes Bar Examination

AUSTIN.—Forty-seven stu-
dents and graduates of the Uni-
versity of Texas Law School
passed the recent Texas bar ex-
amination. Dean Charles T. Mc-
Cormick announced.

Highest grade was made by
Thomas Max Blume of Seguin,
second highest by Newell H.
Blakely of Austin.

University of Texas students
and graduates who made pass-
ing grades on the examination
included Alfred W. Phillips of
Boyd.

CEMETERY WORKING

There will be a cemetery
working at Jonestown Friday,
May 2. Everybody in the com-
munity is invited to come and
spend the day. Please bring
tools to work with and lunch.

COMMITTEE

Mrs. C. E. Gardenhire and
daughter, Linda, of Tuncum-
cari, N. M.; Mrs. S. T. Reed of
Azle, and Mrs. Marvin Hearn
and Mrs. S. H. Kutch of Fort
Worth were guests of Mr. and
Mrs. Ralph Kemp the past week.

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WISE COUNTY LONG AGO

Items from the files of the Messenger of
25 and 50 years ago

50 YEARS AGO—

April 29, 1897

Muse Community—X. X. Jay
of Paradise was in Muse Sun-
day. A number of young people
from this community attended
the exhibition at Boyd Friday
night. Miss Clemmie Muse of
Boyd is visiting friends here
week. Miss Effie Trimble of
Clay County is visiting her sis-
ter, Mrs. Pauline Chowning.
Miss Bell King and Nona Gen-
try returned home Friday from
a visit with relatives in Bridge-
port. Lee Russell, who has been
visiting his sister near Rhome,
is in this community. Mrs. G. B.
King and Sam Gentry and fam-
ily visited A. G. Gentry Tues-
day. Will Rathoff of this com-
munity attended an entertain-
ment given at the residence of
Mr. and Mrs. Miller at Deep
Creek Saturday night. Dan Ar-
rington of Annville was on the
streets Sunday.

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25 YEARS AGO—

April 28, 1922

ENTERTAINED OWL CLUB

The Owl Club was entertain-
ed in the parlors of the Greathouse
Hotel Wednesday afternoon by
Mrs. Ralph Kemp the past week.

RHOMES GIRLS CLUB

OFFICERS ELECTED

Miss Clara Bell Hopper of
Decatur, the newly appointed
Wise County Home Demonstra-
tor, was in Rhome last week and
while there arranged a girls'
hoe demonstration club. The
following officers were elected:
President, Maude Morris; Vice-
president, Sue Ella Van Meter;
Secretary, Frances Cates; Treas-
urer, Fay Whitehead.

Following is a list of the
club: Grady Troxell, Ethel Hor-
ton, Macel Wilson, Mounverneen
Brown, Leta Mae Sparks, Mabel
Knobles, Ena Lee Barton Daisy
Russell, Jodie Byron, Fay
Whitehead. Garden and poultry
will be discussed at the next
regular meeting, May 3rd, at
two-thirty p. m.

Mrs. Lena Ash of Fort Worth
spent the week end here with
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ash.

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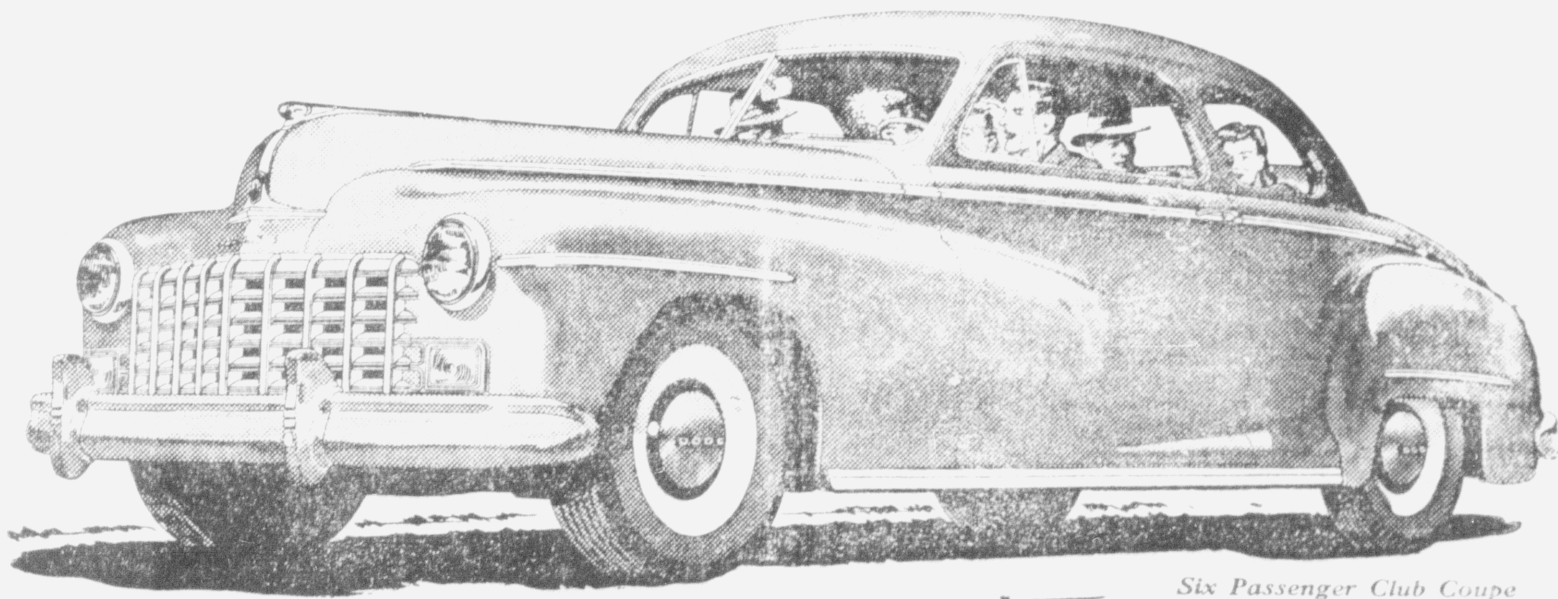
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TO: R. C. Tilghman, R. L. Matney, Nolen L. Sewell, Cliff D. Cates, J. V. Prunty, M. Gregg, A. B. Cates, Grady Morris, G. R. McQuinn, W. H. Bland, H. M. Boykin, Homer Frost, T. R. Burnett, S. P. Smith, A. B. Cates, P. O. Saunders, if living, and if dead, the unknown heirs and legal representatives of such persons who may be dead, the unknown owners, and each and all other proper persons, including all record lien holders, all unknown owners, owning or claiming any right, title or interest in and to the heretofore described real estate, GREETING:

You are commanded to appear and answer the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 26th day of May, A. D., 1947, at or before 10 o'clock A. M., before the Honorable District Court of Wise County, at the Court House in Decatur, Texas.

Said plaintiff's petition was filed on the 7th day of April, 1947. The file number of said suit being 3537.

The names of the parties in said suit are: The State of Texas, for itself, for Wise County, and for the use and benefit of all taxing agencies whose taxes are assessed and collected by the Assessor and Collector of taxes for said county, as Plaintiffs, and each and all the above named and greeted persons, as Defendants. The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: for the collection of taxes assessed in the name of R. C. Tilghman et al for the years 1919 to 1945, both years inclusive, in the total amount of SEVEN HUNDRED NINE DOLLARS AND FORTY FIVE CENTS (\$709.45), together with the penalties, interest, costs, expenses, costs of suit and other costs accrued or to accrue legally thereon, which taxes are alleged to be past due and returned delinquent, and for the foreclosure of the tax lien securing the payment of such amounts as are due as taxes and charges, on that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in Wise County, Texas, known and described as follows: Being located in the City of Decatur South Addition known as Lots 1-2-3-4 Block 1 South, Lots 1-2 Block 2 South, Lots 4-5-6 Block 10 South, All Block 15 South, All Block 18 South, All Block 29 South Addition, All Block 40 South Addition, Lots 1-2 Block 61 South, Lots 1-2 Block 62 South Addition, Lots 1-2-3 Block 72 South Addition, Lots 1-2-3-4 Block 74 South Addition, Decatur, All Block 83 South Addition Decatur.

Issued this 7th day of April, 1947.

Given under my hand and seal of said Court, at office in Decatur, Texas, this 7th day of April A. D., 1947.

(Sd.) **NORMA TAYLOR**
Clerk, Court, Wise County, Texas.

(adv. Apr 17-24-May 1)

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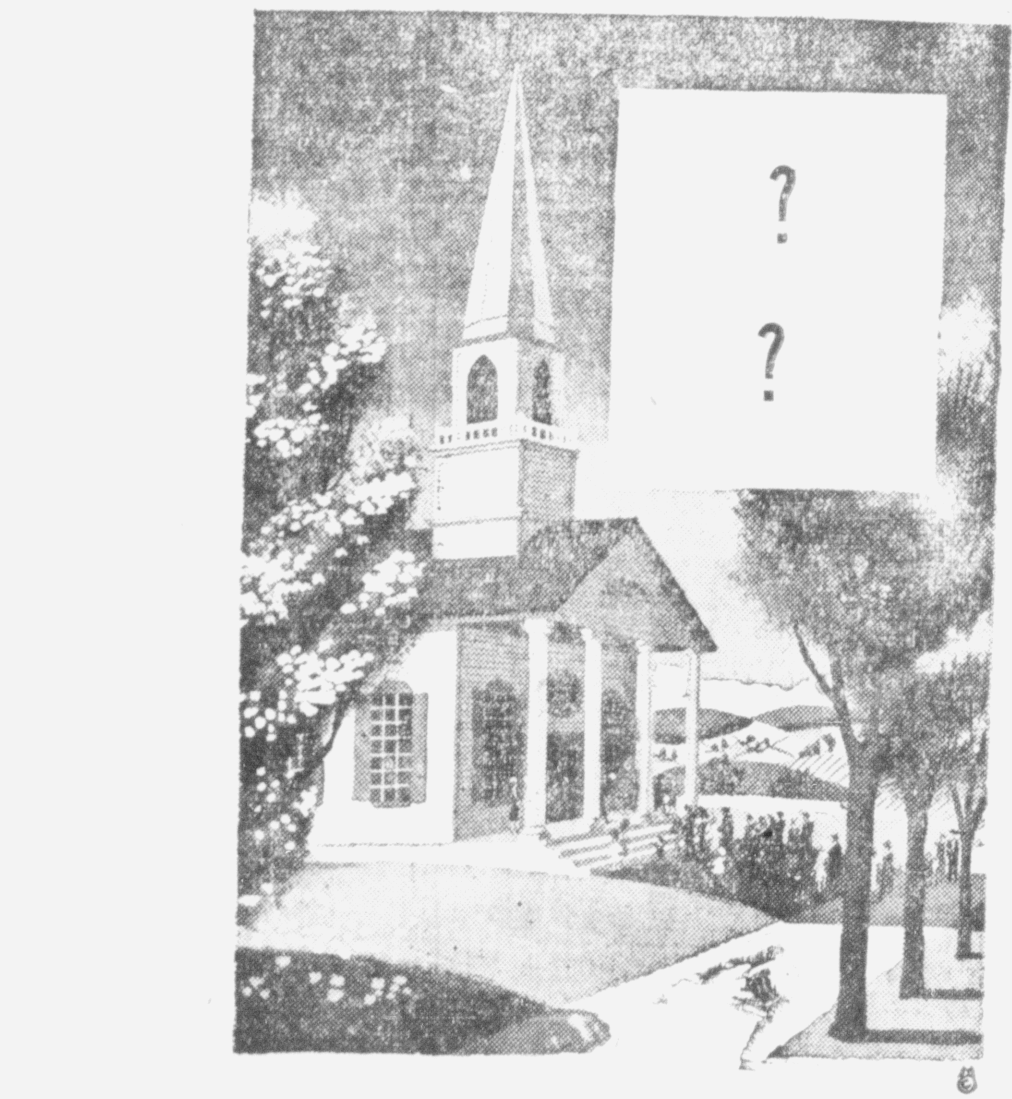
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NEW ADDITIONS TO GI CLASS—Pictured above is four of the five new members added to the GI photographic class here, showing, from left to right, Cameron Milligan, Miss Poter, nurse at Darwin Clinic, and the first woman to enter GI training in the county, Leslie Ford, Johnnie Buck and not shown is the fifth member, Hoot Fullingim. Standing is Mrs. Minnie Lee Locke, instructor. These additions make the total enrollment 19 at this time. Photo of the

- NAMES from page 2
- | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Mrs. E. C. Gilliland, city | Billy Garrison, city |
| Cameron Milligan, city | Grady Rhine, city |
| M. H. Harwick, city | Sam Acola, city |
| J. F. Hornback, city | J. W. Gardner, city |
| Charles F. Cearly, route 1 | Roy Post, city |
| Foy Read, Boyd | Elmer Gage, city |
| A. L. Starkey, Boyd | G. V. Alland, city |
| G. W. Kinsey, Boyd | Sam Pearson, city |
| I. J. Wren, Boyd | Jack's Jewelry, city |
| Gerald King, Rhome | Mrs. T. H. Wright, city |
| M. S. Day, Bridgeport | James W. Gage, city |
| Gilbert Enslay, Alvord | J. R. Auvenshine, city |
| C. F. Rickman, Boyd | |
| Andy Doyle, Sildell | |
| Herbert Becker, Denton | |
| Cecil Wood, city | |
- Mr. and Mrs. Doc Spain and Miss Dixie Crockett of Dallas spent the week end here.
- READ THE ADS! —



HAVE WE ENOUGH CHURCHES IN DECATUR?

Judging from the empty seats in most churches every Sunday, it would appear that we have enough churches, yet, if every man, woman and child, just church members, would attend the church of their choosing every Sunday, additional seating capacity would be needed in most every building.

Our churches have done more to make this a fine community than any other one factor.

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D. N. BRYANT INITIATED

D. N. Bryant, radioman rifts class husband of Mrs. Betty An Bryant of Decatur, who is serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Philippine Sea, has been made a charter member in the Order of the Penguin, an order created by Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd especially for the 4,000 men of Task Force 68, who crossed the Antarctic Circle while participating in "Operation Highjump".

The Philippine Sea, under the command of Capt. D. S. Cornwell, USN, is the only aircraft carrier to have participated below the Antarctic Circle. Her mission with "Operation Highjump" was to carry Rear Admiral Byrd, technical commander of the expedition, six transport planes, within easy flying distance of Little America. These DC3 transports became the largest planes ever launched from a carrier deck.

During her six-day sojourn at a rendezvous area in the Ross Sea, 600 miles from Little America, the ship transferred 100 tons of cargo, and 100,000 pieces of mail, and additional personnel to three ships, one from each group of Task Force 68, and delivered mail to a submarine operating in those waters. Among those taken aboard the Philippine Sea, the first ship to return to the



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States from the Antarctic Expedition, were five of the six survivors of the December patrol bomber crash.

Approximately 30 icebergs were counted in the ship's vicinity, and she came within 10 miles of the forboding ice pack. The two month, 19,000 mile cruise, which made Naval and aviation history, took the crew of 1,800 through a gauntlet of weather ranging from torrid to frigid.

Veterans seeking admission to the Veterans Hospital at McKinney were urged today to make their applications for admission to the VA contact office nearest their home instead of directly to the hospital. County service officers also are available to assist men needing emergency treatment to get a hospital bed.

Dr. W. H. Buckholts, manager of the McKinney VA Hospital, said the services of medical personnel needed to treat patients was being used to examine ex-servicemen making applications directly to the hospital.

Dr. Buckholts said that during the first 20 days of March, 276 veterans had contacted the hospital either by phone or in person, seeking admission as emergency cases. This has required the full time services of a doctor who is badly needed in furnishing care to the acutely ill, the hospital manager pointed out.

VA contact representatives and service officers have been instructed to give prompt attention to requests of veterans seeking hospitalization for emergency treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Davenport of Fort Worth visited Mr. and Mrs. John Cartwright Sunday.

Buy and Sell with a Want-Ad

Decatur Lodge No. 447 AF&AM meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday nights at 8 o'clock. Visitors & Sojourners welcome. H. R. Fullingim, WM. Jas. W. Smith, Secretary

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WSCS Meets

Ladies of the Methodist Church met Monday, April 21, in the home of Mrs. J. M. Scott, with Misses, Barney Shoemaker and Roy Anderson as co-hosts. The subject of study being a continuation of interracial problems. Mrs. I. B. Reed gave the Bible lesson from Matthew 5th chapter. Mrs. Bertha Rann led in prayer.

A booklet, Know Then Act, was reviewed by Mrs. Ed Hornback. Mrs. Anderson discussed, Dangers of the Atomic Age.

An interracial pageant was given depicting the hopes of the Negro, the American Indian, the Mexican, the Japanese, and the Jew. Those taking part in this pageant were Mrs. Cleo Rann and Suzanne, the American Indian; Mrs. Everett Clark and Jerry, the Mexican; Mrs. F. P. Martin, the Japanese; Mrs. Fred Thomason, the Jew; Mrs. Laura Frances Ross and Miss Marie Gardner from the Colored Church represented the Negro race.

After the program's conclusion, plans were discussed for the Chamber of Commerce banquet to be held Tuesday, April 22 in the church basement.

The hosts served refreshments of salad, cookies and tea to a full house.

Next meeting will be in the home of Mrs. A. B. Van Meter, with Mrs. Cal McCurdy as joint hostess on Monday, April 29.

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CITY PHARMACY

Services Held For Mrs. A. J. Shelton

Miss Nannie Taylor was born in Prentiss County, Miss., Sept. 3, 1861, and lived there until she became a young lady and was married to Andrew J. Shelton October 17, 1884. One son, Homer, was born to this union. The family came to Texas when Homer was four years of age, locating in the Preskitt community southwest of Decatur, living there until 1920, when they moved to Decatur, where they spent the last 27 years of their lives.

Mr. A. J. Shelton passed on in 1935, and Homer died in September, 1946.

Mrs. Shelton was converted when she was 12 years of age and united with a Baptist church in Mississippi. After coming to Texas, they put their membership in the Preskitt church where it remained until the church was disorganized and they moved their membership to the Fundamentalist Baptist Church in Decatur, where Mrs. Shelton held membership at the time of her death. She was very faithful, an active member of her church and Sunday School, and was always in the service as long as she was physically able.

She is survived by one daughter-in-law, Mrs. Homer Shelton with whom she lived in Decatur, one grandson, Ovid Shelton of Fort Worth, a great-grandchild, and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the Fundamentalist Baptist Church Thursday afternoon, April 17, at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Pastor Rev. E. E. Taylor.

Interment was made in Bethel Cemetery.

Deacons of the Fundamentalist Baptist Church pall bearers were T. J. Pounds, J. N. Hinkle, E. B. Zelle, Bert Walker, Mr. Potter and Claude Pounds.

A nickel alloy wire, 1/3 the thickness of human hair, is so fine that a pound of it will stretch more than 80 miles.

READ THE ADS

ENGAGEMENT OF MISS CAROLYN SNIPES IS ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Snipes of Decatur have announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Carolyn, to Pat McDaniel Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat McDaniel of Foard City.

The marriage will take place on June 1, with Rev. T. W. Robertson officiating.

Miss Snipes is a graduate of Decatur High School and at the present time is finishing her second year in Decatur Baptist College.

Mr. McDaniel is a graduate of Crowell High School and served sixteen months in the South Pacific during the war. He also is attending Decatur Baptist College at the present time.

After their marriage, the couple will live in Denton where Mr. McDaniel will attend North Texas State Teachers' College.

A Letter to the Editor:

This isn't exactly a letter to the Editor, because mainly I want that boy on the bicycle to read what's on my mind.

While driving toward town on East Main Street a few days ago, a boy on a bicycle pulled over to the center of the street from the left side. Thinking he was crossing the street I pulled over to pass when he suddenly made a left turn. Son, I don't believe you realized there was about 3,000 pounds of automobile behind you, because if that 3,000 pounds of automobile had run over you (as it almost did), there wouldn't have been much left of boy or bicycle.

An Automobile Driver

The official length of an English yard was once measured by the distance from an English king's nose to the end of his middle finger. Dimensions are figured more accurately today, as for example, the meter is standardized as the distance between two lines on a platinum-

iridium bar.

The tank and conveyor here Monday and Tuesday attracted huge crowds, with the kids inside and out, on top and underneath. A very nice educational feature.

KILL RED ANTS!

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SEE LABEL DIRECTIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Arnold's home in the Greenwood Community was the meeting place Sunday for five sisters who had not been together for twenty years. Those present were Mrs. Mary E. Niblett of Clovis, N. M.; Mrs. Frank Walker and Mr. Walker of Anadarko, Okla.; Mrs. W. C. English and Mr. English of Houston, Texas; Mrs. Jeff Robertson and Mr. Robertson of Decatur.

PRESCOTT CEMETERY

There will be a cemetery working at Prescott on Friday afternoon, May 2. Everyone interested in the keeping of this cemetery is requested to come.

COMMITTEE

The following were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mabry Sunday:

W. H. Wilson and wife of Greenville; Mr. and Mrs. Odus Wilson and son, Bobbie Gainesville; Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Wilson and children, Pat and Michael, Texas City; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Mabry and children, Wilton and Delon, Decatur; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Mabry and Richard of Decatur; J. R. Mabry and wife, Decatur; R. L. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Browning and daughter of Gainesville; Mr. and J. C. Mabry and daughter of Dallas; Travis Wilson of Ft. Worth; Mr. and Mrs. Claud Mabry and daughter of Denton; and Charles Mabry, Decatur.

Eddie Miller Show Coming to Decatur

Eddie Miller and his Oklahoma band will be in Decatur, High School Auditorium, April 29 at 8:30 p.m. to give a personal appearance show.

Eddie Miller has a good string band, and they have given lots of programs close to here, but never before have we been the privileged to have them in Decatur. It will be a good show. I am sure. Come and see it. Admission will be 25 and 50c.

Senior Choral Club Girls Are Honored

Twelve senior Choral Club girls were honored at a tea given at the home of Mrs. O. L. James, April 7 from 4 to 5 o'clock. In the receiving line were Beverly Gay Wren, president, and Sue Roberts, past president. Ann Dillard, secretary and treasurer, and Joe Mcaskey, club soloist.

Connie Van Meter and La Vana Renshaw were at the table with Elizabeth New, assisting. Jacquelyn Burfon and Nedda Fitzpatrick helped the hostess.

Jo Ann Hill and Betty Jane Dotts furnished piano music for the occasion.

The highlights of the past six years of choral work were recalled and the outstanding effort of each senior girl was pointed out. Gold music pins were awarded to the following senior girls: Sue Roberts, Joy Mcaskey, Ann Dillard, Annie Elvora Carr, Beverly Wren, Emma Lee Oates, Alma Jean Ransbury, Charline Webb, Betty Lou Rhine, Jancis Luker, Christine Taylor and Anna Marie Reeves Bradford.

Prehistoric ornaments of palm-wood hammered over gold were found in graves of the priests and kings of the ancient Indian inhabitants of Colombia. This was probably the original idea of combining the two rare materials to obtain the two-tone color effect for jewelry.

NEW ARRIVAL

Captain and Mrs. C. R. Rawlings announces the birth of a daughter, Susan, Saturday, April 19, at the Army hospital in Fort Worth.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Cook, Decatur, and Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Rawlings, Fort Worth.

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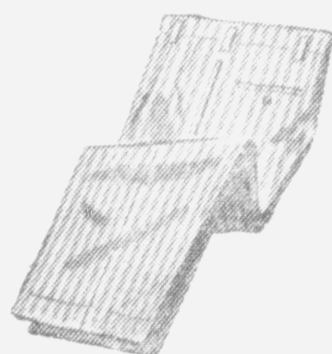
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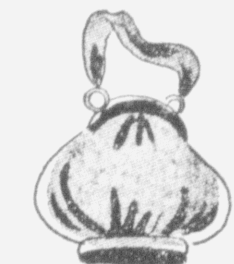


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